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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON CYPRUS

1. FOLLOWING CONVERSATION WITH BLAKE I TELEPHONED SYG, PRESIDENT OF SC AND OTHERS TO MAKE POINTS AGAINST PRE-CIPITATE MEETING OF SC FOLLOWING SIGNING OF AGREEMENT IN GENEVA. BOTH SYG AND SC PRESIDENT UNDERSTOOD IMPORTANCE OF NOT ROCKING BOAT THROUGH SC MEETING TONIGHT ALTHOUGH SYG WORRIED ABOUT UNFICYP MANDATE (SEPTTEL). SYG SAID HE ALREADY HAD ARRANGEMENTS WITH CALLAGHAN TO RECEIVE LETTER INCLUDING TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT IMMEDIATELY AFTER GENEVA SIGNING (DURING SECOND CONVERSATION WITH WALDHEIM AT 5:20 P.M. HE HAD ALREADY HEARD FROM CALLAGHAN).

2. HE AGREED TO TRANSMIT MATERIAL BY LETTER TO SC PRESIDENT WHO COULD THEN DISTRIBUTE IT TO MEMBERSHIP OF COUNCIL. BOTH WALDHEIM AND PEREZ BELIEVED SOVIETS NOT PARTICULARLY ANXIOUS FOR A MEETING TONIGHT ALTHOUGH LATTER MAKING NO SECRET OF THEIR UNHAPPINESS WITH AGREEMENT. SC PRESIDENT SAID HE WOULD COUNSEL NON-PERMS AGAINST MEETING - HE IS MEETING WITH THEM NOW AT 5:30 P.M. HOWEVER BOTH HE AND SYG EXPRESSED VIEW THAT MAJORITY OF COUNCIL MEMBERS WOULD WANT TO MEET SOON TO TAKE NOTE OF GENEVA SUCCESS AND RELATE IT TO RES. 353.

3. I TALKED WITH BOTH TURKISH AND GREEK AMBASSADORS.

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OLCAY WAS DEAD SET AGAINST MEETING AND THOUGHT ONE

TONIGHT COULD BE LITERALLY DANGEROUS IN ITS EFFECTS.
GREEK AMBASSADOR SAID HE COULD AGREE WITH NO MEETING
TONIGHT BUT WOULD WANT COUNCIL TO MEET TOMORROW SO AS
TO TIE SC TO GENEVA AGREEMENT.

4. UK MISSION ON OTHER HAND IS STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF
MEETING TONIGHT. AMB. RICHARD EMPHASIZES THAT GENEVA
DECLARATION CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO DETERMINE
SECURITY ZONE (3A) WITH PARTICIPATION OF UNFICYP AND
THAT WALDHEIM HAS TOLD HIM FRANKLY HE WILL NOT PERMIT
UNFICYP TO MOVE UNLESS HE HAS AUTHORITY FROM SC IN LIGHT
OF FACT HE SEES THIS AS NEW ROLE FOR UNFICYP.
RICHARD ARGUES STRONGLY WE SHOULD HAVE MEETING TONIGHT
TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ADVANTAGE OF SATISFACTION OF SC
MEMBERSHIP OVER AGREEMENT AND TO AVOID
GIVING SOVIETS (AND ROSSIDES) TIME TO MARSHALL THEIR
OPPOSITION. THAT IS WHERE WE ARE AT 6:15 P.M.
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